PROGRAM APPROVAL UPDATE

At the April 1999 meeting, the Council delegated approval authority for new academic programs in the Kentucky Community and Technical College System to the KCTCS Board of Regents. At the November 1999 meeting, the Council delegated program approval within selected program bands to university governing boards.

As part of the November 1999 action, the Council approved the development of a Web-based advisory and consultation process to support the delegated authority for approving new programs. In April 2000, the Kentucky Postsecondary Program Proposal System (KPPPS) was instituted. All proposals for new academic programs are posted on the Web system for a 45-day public review. If essential criteria are met and if there is no unresolved opposition to a program within an institution's band following the review, the Council staff notifies the institution that it may complete its approval process and implement the program. For programs outside an institution's band, institutional approval is followed by submission of the program to the Council for final review and approval. The KCTCS Board of Regents retains final authority over the approval of new academic programs for its community and technical colleges following the 45-day review.

Since delegation of limited program approval authority to university and KCTCS governing boards, 18 university programs and 36 technical college programs have been submitted for review. Nearly two-thirds of the university proposals are for programs that may be approved without additional review and approval by the Council. Approximately half of the proposals submitted to the Web-based system have been added to the Council's *Registry of Degree Programs* following completion of the review process. The remaining programs are completing institutional approval processes.

A chart of programs submitted to KPPPS follows.

Program Approval Activity April - October 2000

UNIVERSITY	PROGRAM TITLE	DEGREE	BAND	ADDED TO REGISTRY
EKU	Criminal Justice	Baccalaureate	Inside	June 26, 2000
EKU	Emergency Medical Care	Baccalaureate	Inside	July 10, 2000
EKU	Industrial and Organizational Psychology	Master's	Inside	July 5, 2000
EKU	Applied Computing	Master's	Outside	July 17, 2000
EKU	Medical Practice Management	Baccalaureate	Inside	June 8, 2000
KSU	Nursing, General	Baccalaureate	Outside	
MoSU	Computer Science	Baccalaureate	Outside	
MoSU	Industrial Technology (MSIT)	Master's	Inside	
MuSU	Public Administration	Baccalaureate	Inside	
MuSU	School Psychology	Specialist	Outside	
NKU	Liberal Studies	Associate	Inside	September 18, 2000
NKU	Master of Arts in Teaching	Master's	Outside	
NKU	Information Systems	Master's	Inside	
NKU	Traditional Nursing	Baccalaureate	Inside	
UK	Chemical Engineering	Baccalaureate	Inside	
UK	Mechanical Engineering	Baccalaureate	Inside	
UK	Physician Assistant Studies	Master's	Outside	
WKU	Applied Technology	Baccalaureate	Inside	

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PROGRAM TITLE	DEGREE	ADDED TO REGISTRY
Air Conditioning Technology (MayoTC)	Associate	
Apprenticeship Studies (OCC, OwnTC)	Associate	
Automotive Technology (MayoTC)	Associate	July 7, 2000
Aviation Maintenance Technology (SomTC)	Associate	July 7, 2000
Computer Aided Drafting (Mayo TC)	Associate	
Diesel Technology (Mayo TC)	Associate	
Entry – Level Respiratory Care Practitioner (CVTC)	Associate	June 16, 2000
Entry – Level Respiratory Care Practitioner (Rowan TC)	Associate	July 7, 2000
Entry – Level Respiratory Care Practitioner (WKTC)	Associate	July 7, 2000
Fire/Rescue Training (15 Technical Colleges)	Associate	July 7, 2000
Industrial Maintenance Technology (NKTC)	Associate	July 7, 2000
Instrumentation and Process Control Technology (WKTC)	Associate	July 7, 2000
Law Enforcement Technology (Laurel TC)	Associate	
Law Enforcement Technology (Somerset TC)	Associate	
Machine Tool Technology (MayoTC)	Associate	July 7, 2000
Medical Office Technology (RowanTC)	Associate	
Network & Information Systems Technology (HazTC)	Associate	
Network and Information Systems Technology (Owensboro CC)	Associate	
Paramedic (MayoTC)	Associate	
Surgical Technology (MayoTC)	Associate	
Surveying and Mapping (MayoTC)	Associate	
Welding Technology (MayoTC)	Associate	July 7, 2000